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SUBJECT: MFA OFFICIAL COMMENTS ON TURKISH FLAG INCIDENTS

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1. IN COURSE OF CONVERSATION SEP 5, MFA OFFICIAL MACRIS (DIR TURKISH AFFAIRS) TOLD EMBOFF THAT A VERBAL PROTEST RELEVANT TO TURKISH FLAG INCIDENTS (REFTEL) WAS DELIVERED TO GOT BY GREEK AMBASSADOR ANKARA PREVIOUS DAY AND THAT THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED SHORTLY BY WRITTEN PROTEST. MACRIS ASSERTED THAT WHILE THERE "NO CAUSE FOR CONCERN" RELEVANT TO THESE INCIDENTS NOW, NEVERTHELESS IF REPEATED THE MATTER COULD BECOME SERIOUS.

2. MACRIS REPEATED TO EMBOFF PRIOR ASSERTION (REFTEL) THAT INCIDENTS EXTREMELY PROVOCATIVE IN NATURE. HE SAID THAT THEIR REAL SIGNIFICANCE LIES IN FACT THAT THEY CONSTITUTE "NEW FORM OF ESCALATION" OF TENSIONS UNDERLYING GREEK-TURKISH RELATIONS.
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